

# New York District Kiwanis Keith F. Cummings Anti-Bullying Chairman 125 Lake Ave. Staten Island, NY 10303

## **Kiwanis Anti-Bullying Contest**

The New York District of Kiwanis will be holding an anti-bullying contest. The intent of this contest is to raise awareness about bullying and to bring a strong message to our youth that his behavior is unacceptable. In recent days, there have been too many dreadful stories about bullying. Children who have been bulled in school, outside school and on social media are depressed, isolated, beaten and/or tormented at school; they turn to drugs, alcohol, and worse, even suicide. This has to stop now!

As Kiwanians who devote our time to helping our children, let's start a campaign to stop bullying. Let's spread the word to all 261 clubs to notify every single school in their community that we are holding a contest for children to write an essay about anti-bullying. Please explain that their entry in this contest is of the utmost importance -- their ideas, words and thoughts are crucial and can make a difference!

The winning essay will be read and posted in our state capitol in Albany. We look to our legislators who have the leverage to fight for our children to make our communities safer and healthier environments. It starts with us on a smaller scale with campaigns and contests, but it continues in Albany on a larger scale to stop the negativity, preach positivity and combat the bullying.

#### **Contest Rules:**

Submit no more than one page about the subject of anti-bullying Contest open to anyone 16 and under Submission deadline: April 30, 2017

### Prize:

Winner will win a trip to Albany with their family.
Winner and family will visit the state Assembly and have lunch with an assembly person.
Winner will also receive a \$200 gift card.

## **Submission:**

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